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POLITICAL COOPERATION MEETING, JULY 12, 1977: UNITED
NATIONS

REF: BRUSSELS 7706

1. MFA PRESIDENCY DIRECTOR DE SCHOUTEETE TOLD US
THAT AT THE NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS POLITICAL COOPERATION
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MEETING IN BRUSSELS JULY 12, THE MINISTERS HEARD
BRIEF REPORT ON EC-9 POLITICAL COOPERATION WITH
RESPECT TO UN ISSUES AND PARTICULARLY ON PREPARATIONS
FOR THE UPCOMING 32ND UNGA.

2. THE FOREIGN MINISTERS APPROVED A "SERIES OF
TECHNICAL RECOMMENDATIONS" TO IMPROVE NINE COORDINATION

ON UN MATTERS. DE SCHOUTEETE SAID THE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE DRAFTED BY THE NINE PERMREPS IN NEW YORK AND MODIFIED SLIGHTLY BY AN EXPERTS WORKING GROUP AND THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS. THEY INCLUDE AN UNDERTAKING TO SPEED TRANSMISSION OF INFORMATION AND POSITIONS AMONG THE NINE AND ANOTHER TO AVOID VOTING AGAINST EACH OTHER OR CRITICISING EACH OTHERS UN VOTES.

3. THE BELGIAN PRESIDENCY INFORMED THE NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS THAT IT WOULD BEGIN DRAFTING FOREIGN MINISTER SIMONET'S PRESIDENCY SPEECH, WHICH WILL BE DELIVERED SEPTEMBER 26 AT UNGA. DE SCHOUTEETE SAID SPEECH WOULD BE COORDINATED THROUGH REGULAR NINE POLITICAL COOPERATION MACHINERY AND BE PRESENTED TO THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS AT THEIR SEPTEMBER 5-6 POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING. CHAMBERS

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